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To: Cities Within Los Angeles County

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Subject: UPDATE ON LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMUNITY CHOICE

AGGREGATION PROGRAM

This letter is intended to update cities within Los Angeles County (County) on the County's efforts at implementing a Countywide Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) Program. The County Office of Sustainability (COS) is leading this effort and will provide regular communications to cities within the County.

On September 18, 2015 the County Board of Supervisors authorized COS to begin the investigation and implementation of a Countywide CCA program, provide a formal status report back in February 2016, and provide bi-monthly reports on the status of this effort.

The Board also authorized COS to initiate a CCA Task Force to include representatives of groups of cities interested in CCA and other regional CCA stakeholders.

This letter will provide a summary of COS' approach on implementing CCA, in accordance with the Board's direction, which includes: communications with cities, CCA Task Force development, CCA timeline and key milestones (for the County and for cities).

Communications with Cities

This letter is being sent to the Executive Directors of the Councils of Government (COGs) within the County and to other CCA stakeholder groups and individual cities that have expressed direct interest in participating in a Countywide CCA. It is our hope that the COGs will distribute these updates to individual cities.

The County CCA implementation team will provide in-person updates for COGs and other groups of cities as requested by the COGs or groups of cities.

CCA Task Force Development

The County CCA implementation team will host regular in-person meetings or conference calls to provide updates and question/answer sessions for cities and other stakeholders. For now, we are requesting that the COGs identify representatives from 2-3 cities to

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participate in the Task Force. The agendas for these Task Force meetings/calls will not be highly technical; they will instead focus on providing "lay person" level updates on various elements of the implementation plan.

The issues to be addressed within the implementation plan have been described in the COS Report to the Board of Supervisors on the Feasibility of Implementing CCA in the County. That report is attached to this letter.

For now, an initial CCA Task Force meeting is planned for: Thursday, October 29, 2015; 1:00pm – 3:00pm, Pacific Center, 616 W. Sixth Street, L.A. (near Pershing Square), Pacific Club Room – ground floor. A call-in number will be available.

CCA Timeline and Key Milestones

The County's CCA implementation team consultants are on board. For now, the key activities and milestones include: acquire cities' electricity consumption data from SCE, develop technical analysis of CCA costs and revenues, develop CCA business plan, develop financing plan, develop marketing plan, develop CCA governance structure, launch CCA. These are very high level activity descriptions and details will be discussed in future CCA communications and Task Force meetings.

Importantly, regarding data, it does not appear that any cities need to procure or provide their cities' electricity consumption data to the County. According to SCE, the County can acquire data for all cities within the County directly from SCE. The County plans on doing this and will not request reimbursement from the cities for the cost of acquiring the data.

The CCA implementation team still maintains a target, CCA launch date of 1 year from the Board's authorization on September 18, 2015. Keep in mind there are myriad regulatory, implementation, coordination, and communication issues that will impact such a schedule.

Conclusion

The Board of Supervisors, COS, and the CCA implementation team are excited and enthused to begin this effort. The benefits of CCA have been documented throughout the State for a number of years now. We look forward to working with all of you.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (323) 267-2006, via email at hchoy@isd.lacounty.gov.

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